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TROLLEY EVER PUSHING

Falls Church Road Wants Heavy Wire Across Aqueduct Bridge.

FORMER PERMIT REVOKED

Trying to Connect With Potomac Power and Light Company—Major Powell Believes That the Commissioners Are Restrained by the Order in U. S. Electric Co.'s Suit.

The trolley interests as represented by the Washington, Arlington and Falls Church Railroad Company, before the Commissioners, by appointment yesterday, through Frank L. Smith of Alexandria, as counsel. Mr. Smith is also counsel of the Potomac Power and Light Company. Mr. Charles S. Hinchman, president of the Falls Church road, and Mr. Frank Hume, were also present. The road wants a heavy wire across Aqueduct bridge to connect with the Potomac Power and Light Company's power house, in Georgetown. Commissioner Threlkeld was not present. Mr. Allen first gave a history of the formation and operations of the Falls Church Company. He pointed out that the road was largely useful in carrying the crowds of pilgrims to Arlington and urged that the country between the independent governments, which make up the United States, demanded that the Commissioners permit a wire to be placed on the bridge.

WANTS PERMIT REVOKED.
He presented the permit issued in 1892 by means of which the road operated for some months in the fall of that year and asked that the action taken on November 8, revoking the permit, be reconsidered. He said Senator Martin of Virginia was expected to be present in a short time, and further urged that the action be reversed.

The permit was revoked because it had not been used since the company failed and ceased operating. Mr. Hume, who is chairman of the railroad committee of the house of Representatives, said there was hardly a suburb which might not have a trolley line. He was sure the board of Trade, in accordance with its policy of encouraging railroad enterprises, would heartily favor this step.

While waiting for Senator Martin, Major Powell suggested that the Commissioners be restrained by the order in the suit of the United States Electric Company against the Potomac Power and Light Company to prevent their use of conduits in Georgetown, and in the suit to prevent the Potomac Company from lighting the bridge.

The order, he said, prohibits the Commissioners from issuing permits, such as that asked for. It was found that Senator Martin could not be present, and Mr. Hinchman went out to consult with Mr. Henry E. Dyer, counsel for the Potomac Company, as to the effect of the restraining order.

It is probable the permit will be issued within a few days.

ANOTHER PERMIT.
A permit will also almost certainly be granted to the Washington, Alexandria and Mount Vernon Railroad to make the necessary connections at the bridge with the trolley line south of the bridge.

The wire, it is understood, will go underground after a distance of 400 feet, and then be strung across the bridge. The company has the privilege of building there.

The company, it is understood, has made an agreement with the Pennsylvania company to cross the river by its tracks on Long Bridge at an annual rental of \$30,000.

The Commissioners went at noon to inspect the new sanatorium hospital at reservation 13, which the contractor has completed and is now ready to turn over to the government.

ECKINGTON LINE ASKS MORE TIME.
Just before they left they heard Mr. John Eckington and Sup. R. T. Taylor, of the Eckington trolley line, asking time for the change of the point of transfer from horse to electric cars.

Mr. Todd said that the location on Eckington place indicated that the change of transfer is in a cut and it would require a month to change the tracks, whereas the order gave the company four weeks. Major Powell replied that the company had been given a great deal of time and money in making the change. The latest was from an attorney, who said if the Commissioners did not act he would call upon the law to protect his property interests.

IT WAS A TOY, BUT THE CROWD AND HIS PURSUERS STOPPED.
"Great heavens! Don't shoot!" cried a crowd of men and women in a chorus of alarm, as Willie, a ten-year-old colored boy, pulled a realistic toy six-shooter from his rucksack pocket and drew a bead on a company of cash boys, who had driven him from Kaim's store, on Market street, because it was charged that he and his partner, St. Carter, stole a pair of shoes and pilfered a pocketful of holiday trinkets.

Willie and St. Carter yesterday landed themselves a forty-shooter conflict for the purpose of Jesse Jamesing the toy stores which made alarming displays of those things dear to Jewish hearts.

"We will get what we want or bust," said Willie, as he examined the toy pistol and shoved it in his pocket. St. Carter, his right hand and pointed to the clouds, and said:

"Willie, I'm wid yer." Then they fell in and started on their practical tour. They selected Kaim's store as the first place to be raided, and after pocketing a few trinkets, which caught their fancy, they were driven from the store by cash boys. Then it was that Willie pulled his gun. The pursuers and pedestrians vanished.

Executive action of the boys to the station and after a moral lecture from St. Carter, St. Carter and Willie were sent to their homes. Willie lives at 1116 New Jersey avenue and St. Carter at 81 on L street northwest.

STUDENTS IN CONCERT.
Pleasing Entertainment Given by Columbia Musicians.

A concert for the benefit of the Columbia University Educational Association was given in the university hall last night by the college mandolin, banjo and glee clubs.

A large audience was present and testified to their appreciation of the excellent program by frequent applause, every number being heartily encored. The banjo club, under the leadership of Mr. Donald McDonald, opened the evening's entertainment with "Napoleon's March," and gave as an encore a very pretty little piece entitled "But One Vienna."

They were followed by the glee club, who sang "Father's Lullaby," and then the mandolin club played the "Stella Matutina" and the "Zulu Patrol." The program has been severely rearranged by Mr. E. C. White, the leader of the club. Mr. Cronin, the "Calm as the Night," a beautiful piece which brought out the strength and compass of his magnificent voice, which with proper training would be one of the best in the city. Mr. Hensley sang a "Serenade" and De Koven's "Past and Future," and earned considerable applause with his sweet tenor.

A violin solo by Mr. Joseph Finkel was most heartily applauded, and the entertainment concluded with the "King Cotton March" by the mandolin club.

MORE GOLD MAY GO.
Opinion That President's Message May Bring American Securities Back.

The opinion is expressed in Treasury circles that the president's message to Congress today on the Venezuela boundary question will have the effect of causing the return by English holders of American securities and stocks for sale, thereby depleting the Treasury gold reserve, as gold would have to be sent abroad in payment of them.

Death of Consul Official.
Intelligence has been received of the death in Smyrna, Asia Minor, of Edward S. Orfey, aged seventy-four years. He was the son of David Orfey of Philadelphia, who, as the first consul to Smyrna, was mainly instrumental in making the first treaty between this country and the sultan. The deceased was United States consul to Smyrna, and it was through his instrumentality that the release of Martin C. Kozita from the Austrian government was effected.

Jolly Fat Men Elect.
At the meeting of the Jolly Fat Men's Club last night the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: A. A. Fried, president; William J. Mullin, vice-president; John T. Scott, secretary; Ernest W. Emery, financial secretary; Thomas O'Brien, treasurer; George Woods, sergeant-at-arms; Otto L. Schmidt, chaplain; trustees, William McGuire, E. S. Randall, and John H. Buchner.

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INJUNCTION IS GRANTED

Contractors Go Into Court Asking for Assistance in Filling an Agreement. Says Their Employer Threatened to Use a Shot Gun—The Details of the Case.

A bill in equity was filed yesterday by Yost & Bro., contractors and builders, against Albert Carry, the president of the National Capital Brewing Company. It asks for a temporary restraining order and the issuance of a rule to show cause why he should not be permanently restrained from interfering with the completion of a certain structure which the complainants had engaged to construct for his use.

William and Ames Yost are the individuals constituting the firm, and in their name Attorney Frank T. Browning filed the papers in the suit, in which it is claimed that Yost & Bro. entered into a contract with Mr. Carry to construct for him a stable and dairy house on the Suitland road in Prince Georges county. Four of the contract stipulating that none but union workmen should be employed upon the building.

ON FUTURE WORK.
It is alleged by the contractors that after six weeks had elapsed and the structure was well forward toward completion, union labor only being employed, a representative of the Carpenters' Union, not designated by name, left with them a circular for their approval and signature, by which they would act as a condition to continuing the present construction be obliged to employ union men in future contracts.

It is declared, also, that the threat was made by the union's representative that in case they refused to sign the agreement, the union would cause the work to be called off of their work, and that thereafter no union workmen could be obtained for completion of the job.

Yost & Bro., as they allege, refused to sign the agreement, and the union men were called off of their work, and that thereafter no union workmen could be obtained for completion of the job.

Acting by advice of counsel, they say, they employed non-union carpenters, and sought to complete the building without them, but were prevented by Mr. Carry, who threatened to use a shotgun to enforce his order against the contractors.

Their further contention is that owing to the action of the Carpenters' Council and Mr. Carry, they are prevented from completing the stable, though admitting the provision of the contract requiring the employment of union labor, and they ask the court for a temporary restraining order, pending determination of this issue.

GRANTED THE ORDER.
Chief Justice Bingham granted the order and made it returnable December 24, 1895.

Attorney Alexander H. Bell, who represents Mr. Carry, said last night that Mr. Carry charges that Yost & Bro. have entered into any conspiracy that may exist between the contractors and the Knights of Labor. In insisting upon the terms of the contract, he said no more than he felt obliged to do to keep faith with the organization, under a prior agreement, and that Yost & Bro. have voluntarily agreed to an arrangement with him which stipulated that union labor only should be employed. It is not clear, however, what purpose can be served by the situation of these proceedings.

It is understood that Yost & Bro. have been for some time at variance with union men, and that this is not the first issue that has arisen between them.

Mr. Carry, it is said, makes it an inflexible condition in all his contracts for building and other work, that union labor shall be employed when labor is required to complete such contracts.

The latest of the contractors to the bill of complaint, may not be filed before the close of the day the case comes up for hearing.

OBJECT TO THE PARADE.
Policemen Say the Relief System Robs Them of Steady Work.

Several of the members of the police force in the Fifth precinct are making a vigorous complaint against a custom which is being introduced in that precinct. The kick, which they claim to be theirs, is that they are marched and counter-marched around unceremoniously after midnight when the men on duty are being relieved.

Two of the police of this precinct asked The Times last night to say that the relief system of relieving after midnight robbed the men of sleep, at least some of which belongs to them, and besides gives them a bad march around the precinct points to be relieved.

They say that when the relieving force goes out in the night they make grand midnight parades from point to point so that all the relieved men may go back to the station house in a body.

The men nearest to the precinct who are relieved are picked up and noisily volens are taken around on this sentimental journey. He and his fellow-men, who are relieved are deprived of sleep, which could be put in while they were doing this unnecessary kind of duty.

BIG AUDIENCE PROMISED.
Manager Allen Arranges for a Special Thursday Matinee.

Manager Allen, of Allen's Grand Opera House, has made arrangements for a professional matinee tomorrow which it is expected all of the ladies and gentlemen of the professional stage now in the city will attend. Thursday has been selected as the day for the performance.

The performance will be by the "Old Rose" Troupe, the star who, in the face of so many practical critics, he at his best, which is all the time, and the play will be "The Girl of the Year." Trilby Walsh has already secured a box at Little Billie in and several other boxes have been booked by the professionals.

The public will not forget the fact that on Thursday they will have the opportunity of seeing the whole bright array of actors and actresses who are in the city for the season, and the said bright array may expect to see them on that day at the largest audience they ever saw at this capacious opera house.

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Men's Cassimere Suits... \$5.00	Men's \$12.00 Blue Kersey Overcoats... \$5.00	Children's Suits... \$1.00
Men's Clay Worsted Suits... \$6.00	Men's \$15.00 French Black Cheviot Overcoats... \$6.50	Children's \$2.50 Suits... \$1.20
Men's Pants.	Men's Imported Germania Overcoats... \$7.00	Children's \$3.00 Suits... \$1.50
Men's Cassimere Pants... \$1.50	Men's \$18.00 Irish Frieze Trowsers... \$7.00	Children's Strictly All-wool Suits... \$1.60
Men's Black and Blue Pure Wool Cheviots... \$1.60	Men's \$20.00 Melton and Kersey Overcoats... \$9.00	
Men's Edward Harris Cassimere Pants... \$1.90		
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POLITICS IS BARRED OUT

Federation of Labor Deals a Hard-Blow to Socialists.

Cuba's Struggle for Liberty Indorsed. Delegates to the British Trades Union Elected.

New York, Dec. 17.—At the final session of the Federation of Labor today First Vice President McGuire, made a vigorous speech against the efforts of the Socialists to have the Federation indorse its platform.

Delegate O'Sullivan moved the adoption of the following substitute resolution: "Resolved, That this convention declares that party politics, whether Democratic, Republican, Socialist, Populist, or any other, should have no place in the Federation of Labor." This was carried by a vote of 1,400 to 158.

It was regarded as a great blow to the socialist element. Samuel Gompers offered a resolution, which was passed unanimously, indorsing the struggles of the Cuban patriots for liberty. Copies of the resolution were ordered to be sent to President Cleveland, Secretary of State Olney and the executive officers of the Cuban revolutionists in this city.

The Committee on Resolutions also reported favorable on submitting all important questions of the nation and State to a direct vote of the people.

A resolution was also passed condemning the patronage system. Samuel Gompers then offered a resolution of regret on the death of ex-Senator John Sherman, Allen G. Thurman of Ohio, which was passed with a rising vote.

It was settled that Brewers Union No. 18, of Chicago, should pay up the \$1,500 of \$1,500 indebtedness of the union to the national organization. The question of the election of two fraternal delegates to the British Trades Congress to be held September 3, 1896, was then taken up and resulted in the selection of John McBrede, of New York, and Adolph Strauser of Buffalo, ex-president of the International Cigar Makers Union.

After congratulatory resolution on the presidency of ex-President McBrede had been adopted the convention adjourned sine die.

FOUND WHISKY THERE.

Michael Burke's Place Near Soldiers' Home Raided.

Michael Burke, who has been suspected for some time of running a speakeasy at Rappahannock, near Soldiers' Home, was arrested last night by Officer Harrover and locked up at No. 8 station on the charge of keeping an unlicensed bar.

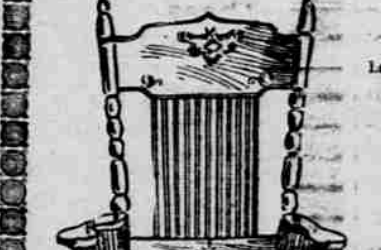
Officers Harrover and Murphy searched the place and discovered numerous bottles of wine and a den of whisky. Many empty flasks and several whisky glasses were also found. Burke has conducted the place for a long time. He will have a hearing at court today.

Steals Milk and Paper.
Mr. William E. Rogers, of No. 619 Spruce street northwest, complained to the police last night that for several mornings recently some one has been stealing the paper from his table. The thief has also made way with the milk from the bucket that is left there.

Two Useful

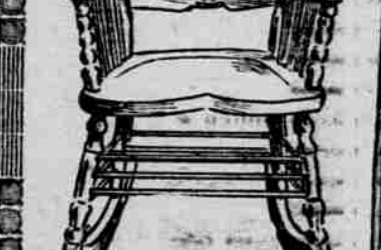
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